

Agenda Item No. 1(D)3



Date:

March 6, 2007

To:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barriero and

Members Board of County Commissioners

From:

George 4 Surgess

County Manager

Subject:

Sunset Review of County Boards 2007 – Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board

In accordance with the provisions of Section 2-11.40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, I am transmitting the 2007 Sunset Review of County Boards Report for the Agricultural Practices Study advisory Board. The Board approved the attached report at its meeting of January 3, 2007 and has recommended the continuation of its board.

Alina Hudak

Assistant County Manager

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Date:

January 10, 2007

To:

George M. Burgess, County Manager

From:

Ron Weeks

Chairperson, Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board

Subject:

Sunset Review of County Boards 2007 - Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board

Pursuant to Section 2-11.40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, I am submitting the 2007 Sunset Review of County Boards Report for the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board for transmittal to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). The Board approved the attached report at its meeting of January 3, 2007.

It is recommended that the BCC approve the continuation of the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board.

BACKGROUND

The Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board was created on January 17, 1995. The purpose of this Board is to conduct a study of the regulation of agricultural practices in Miami-Dade County, review the Agricultural Land Use Study and provide recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners with regard to such regulations and Agricultural Land Use Study. This Board provides a vital service to the Miami-Dade County agricultural community and should continue to function.

Ron Weeks

Board Chairperson

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

(Attached)

1.	Name of Board reporting: Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board (APSAB)
2.	Indicate number of board members, terms of office, and number of vacancies:
	Number of Board Members: 13 Terms of Office: 3 Years Number of Vacancies: 1
3.	Identify number of meetings and members' attendance (Attach records reflecting activity from Jan. 1, 2005 through December 31, 2006):
	Number of Meetings: 12
4.	What is the source of your funding?
	The General Fund
5.	Date of Board Creation: Jan. 17, 1995
6.	Attach a copy of the ordinance creating the Board (Please include all subsequent amendments).
	See Attachment
7.	Include the Board's Mission Statement or state its purpose:
	To conduct a study of the regulation of agricultural practices in Miami-Dade County, review the Agricultural Land Use Study and to provide recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners with regard to such regulations and Agricultural Land Use Study.
8.	Attach the Board's standard operating procedures, if any.
	Refer to Section 2-931, 2-932, 2-933 of the Code of Miami-Dade County (Attached)
9.	Attach a copy of the Board's By-Laws, if any.
	Refer to Section 2-931, 2-932, 2-933 of the Code of Miami-Dade County

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- Attach a copy of the Board minutes approving the Sunset Review Questionnaire, including a vote of the membership. See Attachment
- 11. Include a diskette, saved as ASCII or Rich Text Format (RTF), of the County Manager's transmittal memorandum to the Board of County Commissioners with the Board's recommendation.

II. EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. Is the Board serving the purpose for which it was created? (Please provide detailed information)

Yes, in 2006 the APSAB continued to fulfill it's purpose as outlined in Section 2-931 of the code of Miami-Dade County.

2. Is the Board serving current community needs? (Please provide detailed information)

Yes. By fulfilling its charge to study and make recommendations regarding the regulation of agricultural practices in Miami-Dade County, and providing input into the South Dade Watershed Study and the Purchase of Development Rights program the APSAB continues to serve current community needs

3. What are the Board's major accomplishments?

Last 24 months: extensive work with the Property Appraiser's Office regarding Agricultural Property Tax Exemptions; extensive work with the Solid Waste Department regarding hurricane debris removal; extensive work with the Agricultural Manager regarding the Purchase of Development Rights program, extensive involvement with South Dade Watershed Study;

Since established: refer to previous reports for an overview of the APSAB's major accomplishments

4. Is there any other board, either public or private, which would better serve the function of this board?

There is currently no other board, either public or private, that serves the APSAB's unique function in studying and making recommendations regarding the regulation of agricultural practices

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5. Should the ordinance creating the Board be amended to better enable the Board to serve the purpose for which it was created? (Attach proposed changes, if answer is "Yes")

The Board convened a Performance Evaluation Subcommittee in January 2005 to further examine the constitution of the Board and its mission. Through fact-finding conducted by this subcommittee, the Board determined that its make-up should be reviewed on an annual basis.

6. Should the Board's membership requirements be modified?

The Board will be reviewing existing language in the Code pertaining to membership requirements in 2006, to determine whether these requirements should be modified

7. What is the operating cost of the Board, both direct and indirect? (Report on FY 2006 and FY 2007)

\$39,000 in FY 05-06 and approximately \$30,000 in FY 06-07

8. Describe the Board's performance measures developed to determine its own effectiveness in achieving its stated goals.

The APSAB's performance is gauged by comparing its activities to its purpose and charge as outlined in Section 2-931 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. A review of the APSAB's activities in 2006 indicates that it continues to serve its purpose and meet its charge.

DRAFT AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES STUDY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

Miami-Dade Agriculture Center Auditorium 18710 SW 288 Street Homestead, Florida January 3, 2007

Board Members Present

Ron Weeks, Chair; James Humble, Vice Chair; Colleen Boggs; Bill Losner; Paul Radice; Teena Borek; Martin Dureiko; Reed Olszack; Dave Romney

Board Members Absent

Ivonne Alexander (excused); Harvey Bullis (excused); Santiago Garcia (excused)

Department of Planning and Zoning Staff (DP& Z)

Britton Wilson, Senior Planner; Claudia Flores, Planning Technician; Deena Mullininx, P&Z Services Coordinator

Other Miami-Dade Agency Staff and Other Governmental Entities

Manager's Office: Charles LaPradd, Agricultural Manager

Police Department: Sergeant (Sgt.) Scott Andress

Team Metro: Michael O'Connor

Board of County Commissioners: Sean McCrackine (Commissioner Sorenson)

Public Attendance

See Sign-In Sheets

Chair's Report

Chair Ron Weeks called the January meeting of the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board (APSAB) to order at 9:15 A.M. He waived the Chair's Report.

Coordinator's Report

Britton Wilson announced that the Director of the Property Appraiser's Office would be attending the February APSAB meeting along with the supervisor for the office's Agricultural Section. Regarding the Alternative Fuels Resolution, she announced that it has been split into two resolutions and will be heard at the January 16th Infrastructure and Land Use Committee (INLUC) meeting.

Ag Patrol Update

Sergeant Scott Andress reported 170 calls, 34 arrests, and 16 felony arrests. He then reported that in 2006 the Agricultural Patrol received 1158 calls, made 526 arrests, and recovered one million dollars in property.

With regard to current crime trends, Sergeant Andress stated his belief that produce theft, and avocado theft in particular, is being underreported. In light of the upward trend in avocado thefts all three Ag Patrol shifts are being targeted to avocado groves and the Patrol has instituted a new initiative to monitor groves and row crops more closely.

In response to a question from Colleen Boggs, Sergeant Andress explained that the number of nursery black pot thefts has declined and that they were currently seeing more thefts of small equipment at nurseries. He emphasized that the police rely on the reporting of crime in order to identify trends and target their patrols to specific areas. Paul Radice suggested that it would be useful to re-educate farmers and nursery owners on the importance of reporting crime, because most view the thefts they experience merely as a personal loss they can do nothing about.

Bill Losner asked if the Patrol was aware of the thousands of air layers stolen over the weekend and Sergeant Andress responded that they were not aware, but that he would like to be notified of such incidents. He provided the committee with his email address, sandress@mdpd.com, in case they had anything to report.

Chair Ron Weeks asked if there were any updates to the ATV statute and whether any restrictions had been imposed on it. Sergeant Andress responded that his department does not have the power to make any changes to the law although they are continuing to monitor the presence of ATV's on farmland.

Adoption of December 2006 Minutes

Chair Ron Weeks asked the Board if there was a motion to approve the December 2006 minutes. The motion, moved by Bill Losner and seconded by Reed Olszack, passed unanimously.

Agricultural Manager's Report

Agricultural Manager Charles LaPradd welcomed the new chair and announced that a meeting would be held on January 24th from 7 to 9pm at the Agricultural Center to discuss potential sites for an off-road vehicle or ATV park. The sites are located at the Frog Pond, in the Rocky Glades area, at the Homestead General Aviation Airport and several other locations. Mr. LaPradd said he was concerned about opening a park at one of these sites because all of them currently contain either active farmland or land that was previously used as farmland. He asked for the Board's input on this matter. James Humble pointed out that there would be liability issues involved with operating such a park. Mr. LaPradd added that he did remind the Parks and Recreation Department of the County's policy requiring no net loss of agricultural land. He offered a presentation of the events at the planned January 24th meeting for the next APSAB meeting in February.

Mr. LaPradd announced that the AgriCouncil would conduct its Annual Tour on February 28th. In addition the South Carolina Department of Agriculture will be conducting a tour of South Florida's agricultural areas to fifty-five farmers and their spouses on January 23rd and 24th.

Regarding the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) program, Mr. LaPradd announced that the program is ready for operation as very little has changed since the Board last voiced any concerns about it. He said he would request blanket approval for \$60,000 a year for the purpose of conducting appraisals for the program. Of that budget, \$50,000 would be used for a study to determine the base value development value on agricultural land. James Humble expressed concern that the program would suffer the fate of the Severable Use Rights (SUR) program, but Mr. LaPradd assured him that the PDR program is completely different, primarily because it is a voluntary program. He explained that the appraisal for the PDR program would take location and elevation into account for determining value and that the appraisal study would be updated annually.

Chair Ron Weeks asked whether Mr. LaPradd would like the Board to submit a memorandum or a resolution concerning the PDR program and Mr. LaPradd responded that a memorandum would suffice. James Humble then asked if the Board could be provided with the formula the appraisers would use for determining the land's value under the PDR program. Mr. LaPradd assured him that the appraisers would not come from the County but from a pool of appraisers and that they would use a baseline value in making their determination. Mr. Humble then pointed out that some crops grow better at lower elevations in spite of the fact that the formula awards a higher value to lands on higher elevations. Mr. LaPradd explained that the appraisal study is done to primarily to determine the value of the land for development, not for farming, and reiterated that the eastern Everglades would generally have less value for development than land located further west. Mr. LaPradd assured the Board that he was personally administering the program and that there would be no conspiracy involved in its operation.

Bill Losner asked if the County Manager had the authority to decide whether the APSAB should sunset or not. Mr. LaPradd responded that while the County Manager makes a recommendation on the Board's fate, the ultimate decision rests with the Board of County Commissioners. Chair Ron Weeks asked Mr. LaPradd if he could provide them with any language they could use in a memorandum that would voice James Humble's concerns and Mr. LaPradd responded that he would ask the appraisers to provide the Board with a presentation of the appraisal formula before the study is conducted. The Board adjourned at 10:10 am for a break before discussing the next item on the agenda.

Watershed Study Advisory Committee Update

The Board reconvened at 10:25 to hear from Reed Olszack about the Watershed Committee's recent vote on the implementation strategies that were put before the Board at the December meeting. Reed Olsack reported that the committee did not pass any of the strategies due to the fact that the members were split into two camps on most of the issues. While the committee has not disbanded he does not know if they will meet again, and he reminded the Board that the committee's role is advisory to the consultants in charge of the study, not to the Board of County Commissioners. The Watershed Study will be taken up for further consideration at the next INLUC meeting on January 16th. Reed Olszack explained that perhaps more could have been

accomplished if the process itself had not been flawed. The fact that the major component of the study, the land use portion, was not addressed until the end made the review process difficult to navigate. Colleen Boggs agreed and suggested that Reed Olszack voice his concerns at the INLUC meeting.

Subcommittee Reports

There had been no subcommittee meetings since the last board meeting.

Britton Wilson suggested that the Board review the current subcommittees and decide whether they had accomplished their goals and could be disbanded, whether they should remain in effect, or whether some of them could be combined into fewer subcommittees. She also suggested they set dates for future subcommittee meetings and proposed they set a fixed day each month for subcommittees to meet. Teena Borek suggested they meet the second Wednesday of every month. The Board and Charles LaPradd agreed that day would be mutually convenient.

As chair of the Article LXVII and Ag. Study subcommittee, Bill Losner asked whether the term "Ag Study" should continue to be included in its name if the Ag Study was no longer relevant. Britton Wilson responded that it was necessary to look at the code and get the term removed from the code's language regarding the APSAB's purpose. Charles LaPradd also agreed that the code should be amended because the APSAB was no longer functioning with its intended purpose as a result of the Ag Study but was now functioning as an oversight committee making recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners.

As chair of the Review of Historic Farmland/Historic Wetlands Conflict and Seasonal Ag subcommittee, James Humble emphasized the importance of convening the subcommittee to discuss the upcoming effort to implement state wetlands law and remove Miami Dade County's home rule authority regarding wetlands. He explained that under the current county law, farms have a competitive disadvantage when it comes to wetland issues.

After some discussion, Britton Wilson announced that the Article LXVII and Ag. Study subcommittee would meet next Wednesday at 11am and would be followed by a meeting of the Review of Historic Farmland/Historic Wetlands Conflict and Seasonal Ag subcommittee at noon. With no objections, the Board decided that the Hurricane/Solid Waste Removal/ Dump Site (Mulching) Subcommittee was no longer needed and it was disbanded. As chair of the Ancillary Agriculture Uses subcommittee Bill Losner announced that there were three items the subcommittee had discussed that had never been brought before the Board. The Board then agreed to add the Ancillary Agriculture Uses subcommittee meeting to next Wednesday's agenda. Deena Mullininx announced she would be present at that meeting to address any issues relating to ancillary agriculture uses.

The Board then decided to keep the Water Permits and Issues subcommittee active and to put the Farm Workforce Housing subcommittee on hold. As chair of the Green Belt Law subcommittee Bill Losner stated that since the County does not have the authority to differ from state law on land taxation issues, his subcommittee should be kept active to continue to investigate that issue. Martin Dureiko suggested that the Board request someone from the state to come and answer their questions regarding the Green Belt Law.

As chair of the ATV Resolution subcommittee, Martin Dureiko suggested that they disband it because he believed that fighting the law would not make an impact on the ATV problem. With regard to the creation of an ATV park, he said that it would be helpful in keeping ATV riders away from farmland. Charles LaPradd then suggested that the ATV subcommittee review the proposals for park sites since they all contained farmland. He said there were alternative sites that did not contain farmland that the Parks and Recreation Department was not considering. Chair Ron Weeks suggested that Martin Dureiko attend the ATV Park meeting on January 24th and advise the Board as to its outcome.

Bill Losner requested that Britton Wilson provide the Board with the Agricultural Land Use Plan before the next subcommittee meeting. Britton Wilson responded that she would send it to the Board members along with the language pertaining to Agriculture in the County's Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP).

Sunset Review Discussion and Adoption

Colleen Boggs moved to forward the Annual Report to the Board of County Commissioners. James Humble seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Other Business

There was no other business discussed.

Public Comment

Gary Dufek spoke on the new staff at the Property Appraisers Office. He reported that he sat in on a meeting with the staff and that they are working diligently to correct last year's mistakes and accommodate people's needs for agricultural exemptions. Regarding the Green Belt Law, Gary Dufek said he was unsure of the County's progress on fighting it. The County had called the law unconstitutional but a judge ruled that the County did not have the authority to question the constitutionality of a state law. He stated that the new governor was committed to prohibiting the County from ignoring state law. Martin Dureiko suggested that the Board extend an invitation to the governor to attend one of their meetings.

Sean McCrackine of Commissioner Sorenson's office spoke on the Alternative Fuel Resolutions. He asked the Board if they had any questions before the resolutions went before the INLUC. Colleen Boggs asked whether a 20% reduction in fuel use was attainable and Mr. McCrackine responded that the goal only applied to the County fleet and that they hoped to meet it by the end of 2008.

Action Items

- -PDR Memorandum
- -Britton Wilson will email Board members the code pertaining to the APSAB as well as the Agricultural Land Use language in the CDMP before the next subcommittee meeting.
- -Subcommittee meetings next Wednesday starting at 11am for the Article LXVII and Ag. Study subcommittee, the Review of Historic Farmland/Historic Wetlands Conflict and Seasonal Ag subcommittee, and the Ancillary Agriculture Uses subcommittee.

Set Agenda

Subcommittee reports, visit from the Director of the Property Appraiser's Office, Watershed study report, if a final report is available, No-net-loss policy discussion, Strategic Plan discussion.

<u>Adjournment</u>	
With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.	
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Britton Wilson, Coordinator	

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Present - X Unexcused Absence - A Excused Absence - EA Resigned - R Term Expired-TE Not appointed: NA

NOTE: WARN BOARD MEMBERS WHEN THEY HAVE ONE ABSENCE THAT IS UNEXCUSED, WHEN THEY HAVE TWO.

Attachment A. AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES STUDY ADVISORY BOARD 2005

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13. Ron Weeks	X	×		EA	X	EA	X			×	L	×	2	0

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PART III CODE OF ORDINANCES

Chapter 2 ADMINISTRATION*

ARTICLE LXVIII. AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES STUDY ADVISORY BOARD

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*Editor's note--Ord. No. 95-03, adopted Jan. 17, 1995, amended the Code by the addition of provisions which have been included herein at the discretion of the editor as Art. LXVIII, §§ 2-931--2-933.

Sec. 2-931. Creation; purpose; duties.

There is hereby created and established an advisory board to be known as the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board. Its purpose shall be to conduct a study of the regulation of agricultural practices in Miami-Dade County, review the Agricultural Land Use Study and to provide recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners with regard to such regulations and Agricultural Land Use Study.

In order to fulfill its purpose, the Board shall prepare and submit to the Board of County Commissioners an annual report addressing the following:

- (a) An overview of all pertinent state, regional and local regulations, statutes, ordinances and policies concerning or impacting agriculture in Miami-Dade County;
- (b) Recommendations for eliminating or reducing duplication of effort when two (2) or more governmental entities administer similar regulatory programs;
- (c) Recommendations for eliminating or modifying regulatory activities that have mutually exclusive or contradictory criteria or goals;
- (d) Recommendations for eliminating or modifying regulatory activities that create undue burden or hardship on the agricultural industry; and(e) An analysis and recommendations for modifying or implementing provisions in the Agricultural Land Use Study.

(Ord. No. 95-03, § 1, 1-17-95; Ord. No. 96-14, § 1, 1-16-96; Ord. No. 96-181, § 1, 12-3-96; Ord. No. 98-16, § 1, 2-3-98)

Sec. 2-932. Membership; qualifications.

There shall be a total of thirteen (13) members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners as follows:

- (a) Two (2) representatives from the Tropical Fruit Crops Industry of Miami-Dade County, one (1) recommended by Florida Lime and Avocado Committee, and one (1) recommended by the Tropical Fruit Growers of South Florida and Florida's Tropical Fruit Advisory Council;
- (b) Two (2) representatives from the nursery industry, recommended by the Miami-Dade County Chapter of the Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association;
- (c) Two (2) representatives from the vegetable industry, recommended by the Miami-Dade County Farm Bureau;
- (d) One (1) representative of the aquaculture industry, recommended by the ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida;
- (e) One (1) representative of a citizens' association supportive of agriculture, recommended by the Redland Citizens' Association;

- (f) One (1) representative of allied agribusiness, recommended by the Miami-Dade AgriCouncil;
- (g) One (1) representative of agri-banking, recommended by the Homestead-Florida City Chamber of Commerce;
- (h) One (1) representative of Farm Labor, recommended by Coalition of Florida Farmworkers Organizations;
- (i)One (1) representative of the South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District, recommended by the South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District; and
- (j) One (1) at large representative recommended by the Miami-Dade Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board.
- (Ord. No. 95-03, § 1, 1-17-95; Ord. No. 95-215, § 1, 12-5-95; Ord. No. 99-79, § 1, 7-13-99)

Sec. 2-933. Terms; staff support.

Members shall have a major portion of their income from or work time devoted to production agriculture in Miami-Dade County, and shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years, with none serving more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same position. The County Manager shall designate representatives from the Department of Planning and Zoning to provide appropriate staff support to the Board.

(a) Transition. In the year 2000 (Transition Year 1) there will be two (2) at-large representatives, one (1) appointed for the regular three (3) year term and one (1) appointed for one (1) year only. There will therefore be a total of fourteen (14) members in Transition Year 1 only. Otherwise, the transition from the current board to the new board and three (3) year term rotations shall occur as follows:

Year 1 Transitions and Term Rotations:

- 1. Florida Lime & Avocado Committee (replacing current Tropical Fruit Growers of South Florida position)
- 2. At-large representative (replacing current Tropical Fruit Growers of South Florida position)
- 3. Farm labor (replacing current Tropical Fruit and Vegetable position)
- 4. Nursery representative #2 (replacing current Tropical Fruit Advisory Council position)
- 5. Citizens' Association

Year 2 Transitions and Term Rotations:

- 1. Tropical Fruit representative (replacing current Florida Mango forum position)
- 2. Vegetable representative #1
- 3. South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District
- 4. Allied Agribusiness

Year 3 Transition and Term Rotations:

- 1. Nursery representative #1
- 2. Vegetable representative #2
- 3. Agri-banking
- 4. Aquaculture.

(Ord. No. 95-03, § 1, 1-17-95; Ord. No. 95-215, § 1, 12-5-95; Ord. No. 98-16, § 2, 2-3-98; Ord. No. 98-125, § 38, 9-3-98; Ord. No. 99-79, § 2, 7-13-99)

[Note: (RI, 4-30-2003) Section 2-932 includes another paragraph that has inadvertently been deleted from the published and on-line versions of the County Code, but which the Clerk's office has been notified to correct. Per County Ordinance 95-03, this paragraph reads:

If a vacancy occurs, it shall be filled by the Board of County Commissioners from a slate of nominees selected by the County Manager through a selection process implemented by the Planning and Zoning Department. Nominees shall be members of recognized agricultural interest organizations and shall have a demonstrated interest in the agricultural industry in Miami-Dade County.]